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REQUEST FOR ENTRY OF ORDER BY DEFAULT

PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, as debtors and reorganized debtors (collectively, "PG&E" or the "Debtors" or the "Reorganized Debtors") in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") hereby request, pursuant to Rule 9014-1(b)(4) of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, as made applicable to these Chapter 11 Cases by the Second Amended Order Implementing Certain Notice and Case Management Procedures, entered on May 14, 2019 [Docket No. 1996], that the Court enter an order by default on the Reorganized Debtors' Thirty-Ninth Securities Claims Omnibus Objection To Claims Of Merrill Lynch (Insufficient Substantive Allegations Claims) [Docket No. 14404] (the "Objection").

RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE OBJECTION

The Objection seeks to disallow and expunge proofs of claim filed by or on behalf of Merrill Lynch (the "Claimant") in the Chapter 11 Cases (the "Claims") that do not assert the basic legal and factual allegations required to plead a claim under the federal securities laws. The Claims filed by Claimant fail to identify what securities causes of action they purport to assert, fail to meet the pleading requirements for causes of action under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 8(a), and, to the extent the Claims seek to raise securities claims, fail to meet the heightened requirements for pleading securities fraud under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 9(b) and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Claimant had the opportunity, after notice of the Court's July 28, 2023 Order Authorizing Amendment And Objection Procedures For Securities Claims [Docket No. 13934], as later amended on November 15, 2023 [Docket No. 14139], which set a deadline of October 13, 2023, to amend its Claims or adopt the pleadings of other claimants. Claimant did not timely file an amendment or adopt the complaint of another claimant. The Claims subject to the Objection are listed in **Exhibit 1** thereto.

REPORT ON RESPONSES

There were no responses, formal or informal, to the Objection. After the Reorganized Debtors noticed the Objection and served notice on all required parties, including Claimant, a representative from Claimant contacted the Reorganized Debtors' claims and noticing agent, Kroll Restructuring Services "Kroll," by email (in response to the email service of the Objection), concerning the Claims. Kroll

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responded by directing Claimant to reach out with any questions to the Reorganized Debtors' counsel at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. As noted above, Claimant did not file a response to the Objection, and as of the date of this filing, Claimant has not contacted the Reorganized Debtors' counsel with any questions, or informal response, concerning the Objection.

NOTICE AND SERVICE

The Reorganized Debtors filed the Notice of Hearing on Reorganized Debtors' Thirty-Ninth Securities Claims Omnibus Objection To Claims Of Merrill Lynch (Insufficient Substantive Allegations Claims) [Docket No. 14406] (the "Notice of Hearing"). The Objection was supported by the Declaration of Robb McWilliams in Support of Reorganized Debtors' Thirty-Ninth Securities Claims Omnibus Objection To Claims Of Merrill Lynch (Insufficient Substantive Allegations Claims) [Docket No. 14405] (the "McWilliams Declaration"). The Objection, the Notice of Hearing, and the McWilliams Declaration were served as described in the Certificate of Service of Victor Wong, filed on April 23, 2024 [Docket No. 14429] and the Supplemental Certificate of Service of Victor Wong, filed on April 22, 2024 [Docket No. 14427]. The deadline to file responses or oppositions to the Objection has passed. As noted above, the Reorganized Debtors have received no responses to the Objection.

DECLARATION OF NO OPPOSITION RECEIVED

The undersigned hereby declares, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, under penalty of perjury that:

- 1. I am a member of the law firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP ("Weil"), counsel for the Reorganized Debtors.
- 2. The Court's docket in the Chapter 11 Cases has been reviewed and Weil has determined that no responses, formal or informal, have been submitted with respect to the Objection.

WHEREFORE, the Reorganized Debtors hereby request entry of an order disallowing and expunging the proofs of claim listed in the column headed "Claims to be Disallowed and Expunged" in **Exhibit A** to this Request, which lists claims identical to those in **Exhibit 1** to the Objection.

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Dated: May 15, 2024

WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP KELLER BENVENUTTI KIM LLP

By: <u>/s/ Richard W. Slack</u> Richard W. Slack Attorneys for Debtors and Reorganized Debtors

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